

The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Scholarship Program is designed to offer local government and planning experience that students can use to develop long-term career goals. The Scholarship will provide a \$4,000 scholarship award for seven high school or community college students from the SCAG region (and potentially an additional eighth scholarship award that is not tied to a specific county, but could be awarded at the Committee's discretion) and a two-week internship with a local planning agency, council of governments, or SCAG. Recipients will also have an opportunity to meet with their local government representatives and practicing planners to discuss the importance of urban planning and a future career in public service.

ALL MATERIALS FOR THE
2015 SCAG SCHOLARSHIP
PROGRAM MUST BE
POSTMARKED BY

THURSDAY
APRIL 30
2015

SCAG 2015 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

REQUIREMENTS:

- **Residency:** Must be a resident within the SCAG region (i.e., Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, or Ventura County, or on Tribal Lands within the SCAG region), and be eligible to work in the United States. Students will be asked to submit proof of eligibility to work in the United States if selected as a semi-finalist.
- **School Enrollment:** Must be a high school junior or graduating senior, or currently enrolled in a two-year community college in the SCAG region. Graduating seniors must enroll in higher education (two- or four-year college or university) immediately following graduation from high school (i.e., no gap year).
- **GPA Minimum:** Candidates must have a 3.00 grade point average or higher (based on a 4.00, unweighted scale).
- **Internship Requirement:** Selected applicants must be available for a two-week (80 hours) internship with a local planning agency (city or county), council of governments, or SCAG during Summer 2015. Internship assignments will be located as close as possible to the recipients' place of residence. All recipients are expected to be available during normal office hours for the duration of the two-week internship assignment.
- **Visit to SCAG:** Scholarship recipients will be required to attend a Regional Council meeting at the SCAG offices in downtown Los Angeles.

TO APPLY FOR THE SCAG SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, STUDENTS MUST SUBMIT:

- Completed application form (do not include the instruction page).
- Minimum five-hundred (500) word essay describing your interest in urban planning, public policy, and/or public service and future career goals.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, coach, and/or your employer (that are not related to you) attesting to leadership ability and public service interest.
- Transcript[s] (official or copy) from the school in which you are currently enrolled. Community college students must provide both high school and community college transcripts.

THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN APPLYING

- Application packages that demonstrate an interest in urban planning, public policy and/or public service, and/or intended majors such as urban planning, environmental planning, engineering and/or political science, will be prioritized over application packages that do not.

APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT
www.scag.ca.gov/scholarship or at all SCAG office locations.

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SENT TO:

Southern California Association of Governments
Attn: SCAG 2015 Scholarship Program
818 West 7th Street, 12th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90017

For questions regarding the program,
please contact:

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Scholarship Program Coordinator
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SCAG 2015 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM

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APPLICANT NO. _____

COUNTY: _____

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PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Availability for two-week internship in Summer 2015* (check all that apply):

June 2015

July 2015

August 2015

September 2015

**Students must be available for a two-week (80 hours) internship, in addition to attending a Regional Council meeting at the SCAG office in Los Angeles.*

To the best of my knowledge, the contents of my application are accurate and I am authorized to work in the United States.*

Applicant's Signature _____

Date _____

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APPLICANT NO. _____

COUNTY: _____

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION:

Current educational status [check one]:

High School Junior

High School Senior

Community College

If community college student, list semesters completed*: _____

High School: _____

City/State: _____

Date of Graduation: _____

Grade Point Average: _____

If graduating senior, name of intended college/university* _____

Intended major: _____

**Graduating students must provide proof of enrollment in higher education in order to receive the scholarship award.*

Community College (if applicable): _____

City/State: _____

Grade Point Average: _____

Intended major: _____

ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS:

A.) List and briefly describe your extracurricular activities [e.g. memberships in organizations, sports, etc.]:

Organization Involved	Position Held	Date of Involvement

Brief description of your responsibilities [attach additional page(s) if necessary]:

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COUNTY: _____

ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS (CONTINUED):

B.) List and briefly describe volunteer activities in which you have been involved:

Organization	Activity	Date of Involvement

Brief description of how you participated [attach additional page(s) if necessary]:

C.) List honors or academic awards you have received [e.g. scholarly activities, research, etc.]:

Award/Honor	Institution/Organization	Date

D.) List and briefly describe any work experience:

Position	Employer	Dates of Employment

Brief description of your work responsibilities [attach additional page(s) if necessary]: